## United States Embassy Dakar, Senegal Message for U.S. Citizens: 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration July 1, 2014

The United States Embassy, Dakar invites you to join us on Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-7:00pm at the International School of Dakar (ISD) to celebrate **the Independence Day of the United States of America**. There will be live music by Damien Masterson, bouncy castles, games, face painting and other entertainment. Four of our favorite food vendors, Kisakala, Le Gourmand Souriant, Mawa's Taste of America, and Yum Yum Pizza, will be there selling a cross section of American delights and cold beverages.

Tickets will be available at the event for 2,000 CFA. The party is open to all Americans living in Senegal and their families. Each family will need to show a US government issued ID (Driver's license, Passport or copy of Passport) in order to purchase tickets for every member of the family. Children, ages two and under, are free and do not need a ticket. We look forward to celebrating with you. **Happy Independence Day!!!!** 

We strongly recommend that U.S. citizens traveling to or residing in Senegal or Guinea-Bissau enroll in the <u>Department of State's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP)</u>. STEP enrollment gives you the latest security updates, and makes it easier for the U.S. embassy or nearest U.S. consulate to contact you in an emergency. If you don't have Internet access, enroll directly with the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate.

Regularly monitor the <u>State Department's website</u>, where you can find current <u>Travel Warnings</u>, <u>Travel Alerts</u>, and the <u>Worldwide Caution</u>. Read the <u>Country Specific Information for Senegal and neighboring countries</u>. For additional information, refer to the <u>Traveler's Checklist</u> on the State Department's website.

Contact the U.S. embassy or consulate for up-to-date information on travel restrictions. You can also call 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or 1-202-501-4444 from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays). Follow us on <a href="Twitter">Twitter</a> and <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a> to have travel information at your fingertips.

The U.S. Embassy in Dakar is located on Route des Almadies and is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If you are a U.S. citizen in need of urgent assistance, the emergency number for the U.S. Embassy is +221 33 879 4444 and ask to speak to the duty officer. You can stay in touch and get Embassy updates by checking the U.S. Embassy website or sending an email message to <a href="mailto:DakarACS@state.gov">DakarACS@state.gov</a>.